

AMENDMENTS**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 9-46.

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

B1 1. (twice amended) An isolated and purified DNA
encoding urocortin II protein that has an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID
NO: 10 or 11.

REMARKS**Amendment**

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."